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1. On 27 February 1950 an air police unit (Luftwaffenstaffel, Flugpolizei) was formed at the Fliegerhorst Kaserne, Erfurt/Bindersleben, out of elements of the Fifth Thuringian Bereitschaft, which is located in Erfurt. The unit consists of a single Kommando of two hundred men who are accommodated in barracks located at the Bindersleben airfield. Flying personnel are estimated at 50X1-HUM between seventy and one hundred men. Members of the unit wear a metal eagle on their police uniform shoulder boards.
2. The unit was first given training on gliders. In April 1950, however, it was reported to have received seventeen former German Air Force planes, including a number of triple-engine craft and two dive-bombers (Sturzkampfflugzeuge).*50X1-HUM

3. Oberkommissar Reuscher is in charge of the Kommando. The unit's PK Leiter is Kommissar Helmut Roik
4. Hangars at the airfield which were destroyed or damaged during the war are now being reconstructed. Several concrete runways are in a serviceable condition. No Soviet Air Force personnel are stationed at Bindersleben.

* Comment: These are thought to be Junker type planes 52 - 87 and 88. 50X1-HUM

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